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Identical letters dated 1 August 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I transmit to you herewith a list of Israeli acts of aggression against Lebanon which took place from 30 to 31 July 2006, targeting civilians, infrastructure, populated towns and villages and the areas around them with various types of air, sea and land weapons. Also attached is a list of the dead and injured, and significant material damage sustained (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 14, and of the Security Council.

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Annex to the identical letters dated 1 August 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Subject: Israeli attacks on Lebanon from 31 July 2006 through 8 a.m. on 1 August 2006

On 31 July 2006 Israeli attacks on Lebanon continued to target infrastructure, populated towns and villages, and the areas around them with various types of air, sea and land weapons. The air, sea and land blockade and aerial bombing attacks continued despite the announcement of a 48-hour air ceasefire. The principal places targeted and damage sustained were as follows:

Roads and bridges targeted

- The Masnaa — Jdaidat Yabus road (at the same location);
- The Al-Hermel — Al-Qaa bridge (previously bombed);
- The Al-Maallaqa — Al-Hermel bridge (previously bombed);
- The Al-Hermel — Ouadi al-Karm bridge (linking Al-Hermel to Sir al-Danniye), destroyed completely;
- The Al-Saadiyat coastal road (closed off).

Vehicles targeted

- An army vehicle at the entrance to M-12 Al-Nabi Qasim outpost was targeted by an airborne missile, resulting in the death of Private Hasan Qasim (the jeep's driver), injury to post personnel Sergeant Subhi al-Mawla and extended service Cadet Bilal Hashimi as well as to Lance Sergeant Hana Ishaq (all are in non-critical condition), and head injury to Captain Hasib Abdallah Burda.
- An ambulance belonging to the municipality of Saadnayel containing blankets, food and medical supplies was targeted on the Masnaa road, resulting in injury to 10 citizens (all are in non-critical condition) and material damage to the vehicle.
- A pickup in Al-Qlaiaa belonging to a person named Abdallah Diyab al-Muhammad from the town of Al-Wazzani was targeted while parked behind the school, resulting in its glass being shattered and the rear boot being hit by some of the fragments.
- An empty Hyundai pickup on the Masnaa — Deir Znoun road being driven by Ahmad al-Muhammad with passenger Muna Haydar was targeted. Both suffered injuries (both are in non-critical condition) and the pickup was destroyed.

Towns and their environs attacked by Israeli military aircraft and helicopters

In the South governorate: Al-Taibe, Mahmoudiye, Bent Jbail, Al-Qasimiye, Al-Qlaiaa, Ouadi al-Sallouqi, Zebqine and Tebnine;

In the Bekaa governorate: Masnaa, Deir Znoun and Al-Hermel;

In the Mount Lebanon governorate: Al-Saadiyat.

Towns and their environs targeted by artillery and naval bombardment

Al-Taibe, Al-Adisa, Kfar Chouba, Helta, Al-Majidiye, Al-Abbassiye, Zaoutar al-Charqiye, Kfar Hamam, Kfar Kila, Tebnine, Deir Mimass, Kounine, Bent Jbail, Al-Qlaile, Ainata, Aaitaroun, Beit Yahoun, Ouadi al-Qaisiye, Majdel Selm, Chaqra, Safad al-Battikh, Arnoun and al-Khiam plain.

Land operations

- An enemy Israeli force that had tried to penetrate in the direction of Al-Taibe/Kfar Kila withdrew.
- Two bulldozers and an earthmover belonging to the Israeli enemy tried to advance towards the Aaita al-Chaab — Ramiye — Al-Qaouzah triangle to construct a berm, but resistance elements confronted them and forced them to retreat.

Casualties

- Attacks resulted in the deaths of two persons, including one Lebanese Army soldier. In addition, 30 bodies were discovered of people who had been killed some time previously between 22 and 30 July 2006. Attacks resulted in injury to 38 persons, most of them women and children, bringing overall casualties to 405 killed and 1,374 wounded, not including the many victims still buried under rubble in various places.

Attitudes and activities of the Israeli enemy

Psychological warfare: A safety official at the Cogeco company in Al-Jiye received several threatening cell phone voice messages originating abroad containing warnings to evacuate the port.

The following should be noted:

- Foreign nationals continued to leave Lebanese territory overland into Syria and by sea. Helicopters were used to evacuate some nationals, and preparations are being made for further evacuations.
- Assistance continued to arrive via Rafik Hariri International Airport, where a number of military aircraft landed, including two from the United Arab Emirates, two from Jordan, one from France and two from Egypt. Assistance also continued to arrive via the Port of Beirut, where the French frigate *Jean de Vienne* arrived, and the port of Tyre, where two French ships unloaded 420 bales of food for the International Red Cross. This was in addition to assistance from various States overland.
- An increase was recorded in the numbers of people displaced from towns and villages that have been or are likely to be targeted by bombs, especially in the South. This happened even after a decrease in hostilities and the announcement of 48-hour air ceasefire.

- Three cars arrived at Tebnine Government Hospital with a group from the organization Doctors without Borders along with some medicines. The Red Cross, the Civil Defence and rescue teams were also able to reach the city of Bent Jbail and some other towns such as Srifa to evacuate wounded and some of the dead.

List of persons killed from 31 July 2006 through 8 a.m. on 1 August 2006 (32 persons)

Name and surname	*Place*	*Nationality*	*Date of death*	*Comments*
Private Hasan Qasim	Al-Nabi Qasim		31 July 2006	
Ali Na`im Gharib	Teir Harfa		31 July 2006	
Hassan Ma`tuq	Majdel Zoun		29 July 2006	
Ali Abbas Mar`a	Majdel Zoun		29 July 2006	
Al-Sayyid Kazim	Majdel Zoun		29 July 2006	
Ahmad Rida Bazi	Zebqine		25 July 2006	
Adnan Hasan Bazi	Zebqine		25 July 2006	
Ali Zayn al-Din	Safa al-Battikh		24 July 2006	
Abd al-Karim Sulayman	Bent Jbail		30 July 2006	
Ali Hariri	Mazraat al-Michrif		27 July 2006	
Muhammad Baydun	Mazraat al-Michrif		27 July 2006	
Mazin Shu`aytu	Tebnine		30 July 2006	
Ali Mahdi	Tebnine		30 July 2006	
Basim Shu`aytu	Tebnine		30 July 2006	
Jamil Abd al-Husayn Ayyub	Ainata		24 July 2006	
Nazira Shu`aytu	Saddiqine		23 July 2006	
Muhammad Shu`aytu	Saddiqine		22 July 2006	
Ahmad Shu`aytu	Saddiqine		22 July 2006	
Zakwan (*name unknown*)	Saddiqine	Syrian	23 July 2006	
Husayn Ali Karim	Chaqra		24 July 2006	
Muhammad Salah Qadduh	Chaqra		24 July 2006	
Ibrahim Jamal Salih	Chaqra		24 July 2006	
Ahmad `Anisi	Chehour		22 July 2006	

Name and surname	*Place*	*Nationality*	*Date of death*	*Comments*
Ali 'Anisi	Chehour		22 July 2006	
Yusuf Mansur	Kfar Sir		24 July 2006	
Sami Mansur	Kfar Sir		24 July 2006	
Muhammad Khalil Duwari	Al-Qlaile		24 July 2006	
Hamza Akhyar	Al-Qlaile		24 July 2006	
Rabi' Qasir	Aaitaroun		25 July 2006	
Na'ima Nasir	Haddata		25 July 2006	
Husayn Sabra	Haddata		25 July 2006	
Unidentified person	Beit Yahoun		25 July 2006	

List of persons injured from 31 July 2006 through 8 a.m. on 1 August 2006 (38 persons)

Name and surname	*Place*	*Nationality*	*Comments*
Sergeant Subhi al-Mawla	Al-Nabi Qasim		
Cadet Bilal Hashimi	Al-Nabi Qasim		
Private Hana Ishaq	Al-Nabi Qasim		
Captain Hasib Abdallah	Al-Nabi Qasim		
Mu'in Musa Faris	Bent Jbail		
Muhammad Faysal Khanafir	Bent Jbail		
Latifa Muhammad Mansur	Bent Jbail		
Ali Muslimani	Bent Jbail		
Muna Kamal	Bent Jbail		
Ali Kamal Kawrani	Bent Jbail		
Ahmad Faqih	Bent Jbail		
Ramzi Arzuni	Bent Jbail		
Ali 'Atif Kawrani	Bent Jbail		
Abbas Ali Gharib	Teir Harfa		
Husain Ghadbun	Kafra		
Maryam Qasir	Kafra		
Ali Bajuq	Aaita al-Chaab	30 July 2006	
Muhammad Ali Rida	Aaita al-Chaab	30 July 2006	
Husayn Muhammad Rida	Aaita al-Chaab	30 July 2006	
Hasan 'Awwada	Al-Qlaile	30 July 2006	
Hasan Ibrahim Darwish	Al-Qlaile	30 July 2006	
Mustafa al-Jamal	Biout al-Siyad	30 July 2006	
'Amir Dahwish	Biout al-Siyad	30 July 2006	
Karim al-Husayni	Biout al-Siyad	30 July 2006	
Ahmad Abd al-Karim al-Muhammad	Deir Znoun/Masnaa	31 July 2006	
Muna Muhammad Haydar	Deir Znoun		
'Umar Kharbatli	Masnaa		

Name and surname	*Place*	*Nationality*	*Comments*
Ali Sawwan	Masnaa		
Ziad al-Rajmi	Masnaa		
Mazin al-Biqa`i	Masnaa		
Hassan al-Haj Shahhada	Masnaa		
Ayman al-Humsi	Masnaa		
Nadir Sawwan	Masnaa		
Walid Sawwan	Masnaa		
Tarq Tarshishi	Masnaa		
Abd al-Karim Salih	Masnaa		
Muhammad Tawfiq Safa	Zaoutar al-Charqiye		
Sa`d Muhammad Sa`ada	Qana		

Statistical table showing casualties caused by Israeli attacks from 31 July 2006 through 8 a.m. on 1 August 2006

Date	*Place*	*Injured*	*Killed*	*Comments*
31 July 2006-1 August 2006	Al-Nabi Qasim	4	1	1 soldier killed, 1 officer and 3 soldiers injured
	Teir Harfa	1	1	Died on 31 July 2006
	Masnaa	10		
	Zaoutar al-Charqiye	1		
	Qana	1		
	Bent Jbail	9		
	Kafra	2		
	Deir Znoun	2		
22 July 2006-30 July 2006	Bent Jbail		1	The dead and injured were evacuated on 31 July 2006
	Aaita al-Chaab	3		
	Al-Qlaile	2	2	
	Biout al-Siyad	3		
	Majdel Zoun		3	
	Zebqine		2	
	Safad al-Battikh		1	
	Mazraat al-Michrif		2	
	Tebnine		3	
	Ainata		1	
	Saddiqine		4	
	Chaqra		3	
	Chahur		2	
	Kfar Sin		2	
	Aaitaroun		1	
	Haddata		2	
	Beit Yahoun		1	
Total				**1 soldier killed, 1 officer and 3 soldiers injured**
Overall total to date		**1 374**	**405**	**Total military dead: 23 (Army 21, Internal Security Force 2)** **Total military injured: 163 (Army 148, Internal Security Force 14, Customs 2)**

It should be noted that many victims are still underneath the rubble in many places.

Subject: Israeli attacks on Lebanon from 30 July 2006 through 8 a.m. on 31 July 2006

On 30 July 2006 Israeli attacks on Lebanon continued to target infrastructure, populated towns and villages, and the areas around them with various types of air, sea and land weapons. The air, sea and land siege continued. The principal places targeted and damage sustained were as follows:

- As a result of attacks on the town of Qana and the hitting of a residential building there were many deaths and injuries. Twenty-seven dead and 30 injured have been recovered. The process of clearing the rubble and recovering the victims is ongoing.

Roads and bridges targeted

- A bridge in Machghara plain, resulting in its destruction, with no injuries;
- The Roumine — Sarba — Aarab al-Jall triangle;
- The Kfar Fila — Jbaa road (closing it off);
- The international highway between Lebanon and Syria was targeted about 200 metres beyond the Lebanese customs checkpoint towards Syrian territory (previously targeted), with no injuries;
- The Bakka — Ain Arab road, which was closed off;
- The Aaita al-Foukhar — Bayadir al-Adas road, which was closed off.

Vehicles targeted

- A pickup truck in Rayak was targeted, resulting in material damage to the vehicle, without any injuries.
- There was an attack near Command Post K-22 in the town of Sarba/Al-Nabatiye which set fire to an M113 military transport vehicle. The battalion command building sustained a fair amount of damage and three Reo trucks, a Willis Jeep and a civilian car belonging to Major Mazin Shabu sustained serious material damage. Other vehicles sustained various damage and broken glass. Sergeant Dib Tanus suffered light injuries.

Towns and their environs attacked by Israeli military aircraft and helicopters

In the South Governorate:

Ouadi al-Sellouqi, Recheknanay, Al-Bissariye, Qana, Al-Taibe, Al-Soultaniye, Mazraat Sarada, Kounine, Beit Yahoun, Insar, Al-Zrariye, Sarba, Al-Mansouri, Biout al-Siyad, Chamaa, Jebaa, Daoudiye, Ouadi al-Qaisiye, Marjaayoun, Mazraat al-Dimashqiye, Ouadi al-Jarmaq, Tebnine, Zhalta, Houmine al-Faouqa, Zefta, Ain Baal, and Hanaouway.

In the Bekaa:

Rayak, Machghara, Birket Jabour, Masnaa, Bakka, Beyadir al-Adas and Al-Yammoune; helicopters flew at low altitude over the towns of Al-Yammoune, Boudai, Dar al-Ouassaa and Ainata and bombed Al-Jami` hill in Jaroud in the town of Al-Yammoune, but were unable to land in the area.

Towns targeted by artillery and naval bombardment

Al-Maalliye, Haouch Basma, Al-Bazouriye, Qana, Al-Smaaiye, Deir Qanoun, Ras al-Ain, Al-Bissariye, Batoulay, Saddiqine, Jbal al-Botm, Kounine, Bent Jbail, Mahmoudiye, Yohmor, Khiyam, Biout al-Siyad, Arnoun, Maifadoun, Ouadi al-Sallouqi, Chaqra, Aaita al-Jabal, Tebnine, Deir Mimass, Al-Khardali bridge and Kfar Kila.

Casualties

- Following the attack on a two-storey apartment building in Qana on 30 July 2006, 27 dead and 30 injured were recovered. Rubble is still being cleared and victims are still being recovered.
- Attacks resulted in 27 dead and 41 injured, most of them women and children, bringing total casualties to 373 dead and 1,336 injured, not including the many victims still lying underneath the rubble in various places.

The following should be noted:

- Foreign nationals continued to leave Lebanese territory overland into Syria and by sea. Helicopters were used to evacuate some nationals, and preparations are being made for further evacuations.
- Assistance continued to arrive via Rafik Hariri International Airport, where some military aircraft landed, including two from the United Arab Emirates. Assistance also continued to arrive via the Port of Beirut where a French ship, a ship belonging to the International Red Cross, and a Greek ship unloaded food supplies, cooking equipment and tents for the International Red Cross. They were unable to unload their entire cargo because of time constraints. This was in addition to assistance from various States overland.
- 18 trucks passed through Aaboudiye crossing carrying supplies for the Saudi field hospital at the site of the Beirut racetrack, as well as four ambulances from the Saudi Red Crescent Association and two Red Cross vehicles which were received by General Muhammad Hajjaj, the Saudi Embassy military attaché and Dr. Sayf al-Din Abu Zayd, head of the field hospital.
- An increase was recorded in the numbers of people displaced from towns and villages that have been or are likely to be targeted. The number is likely to go up in the light of the continued attacks and the rising number of victims.
- Local, regional and international reactions critical of the massacre caused by the Israeli attack on Qana called for a meeting of the United Nations Security Council on the subject.

List of persons killed from 30 July 2006 through 8 a.m. on 31 July 2006 (27 persons)

Name of deceased	*Place*	*Nationality*	*Date*	*Comments*
Yahya Muhammad Qasim Shalhub	Qana			
Affaf Zayd	Qana			
Ali Muhammad Qasim Shalhub	Qana			
Maryam Hasan Muhsin	Qana			
Ali Ahmad Mahmud Shalhub	Qana			
Fatima Muhammad Hashim	Qana			
Zayn Ali Amin Shalhub	Qana			
Taysir Shalhub	Qana			
Khadija Yunis	Qana			
'Ala Ahmad Mahmud Shalhub	Qana			
Nabila Ali Amin Shalhub	Qana			
Ja'far Muhammad Shalhub	Qana			
Lina Muhammad Mahmud Shalhub	Qana			
Mahdi Muhammad Qasim Shalhub	Qana			
Daughter of Mahdi Muhammad Shalhub	Qana			Infant
Ali Ahmad Hashim	Qana			
Mahdi Muhammad Hashim	Qana			
Hasana Hashim	Qana			
Ibrahim Hashim	Qana			
Ahmad Mahmud Shalhub	Qana			
Hawra Muhammad Qasim Shalhub	Qana			
Ibrahim Ahmad Hashim	Qana			
Yusuf Ahmad Mahmud Shalhub	Qana			
Qasim Samih Shalhub	Qana			
Husayn Ahmad Snalhub	Qana			
Raqiyya Mahmud Shalhub	Qana			
Qasim Muhammad Shalhub	Qana			

List of persons injured from 30 July 2006 through 8 a.m. on 31 July 2006 (41 persons)

Name and surname	Place	Nationality	Date of injury	Comments
Muhammad Nur al-Din	Zaoutar al-Gharbiye		29 July 2006	
Muhammad Suhayti	Kafra		29 July 2006	
Qasim Ma'ruf	Kfar Sir			
Sharbil Jarish	Haris			
Abbas Fu'ad Tawba	Maifadoun			
Ali Fu'ad Tawba	Maifadoun			
Khalil al-Akhras	Maifadoun			
Muhammad Khalil al-Akhras	Maifadoun			
Hadi al-Akhras	Maifadoun			
Fu'ad Tawba	Maifadoun			
Sergeant Dib Tanus	Serba			
Ahmad Hashim	Qana			
Ahmad Shalhub	Qana			
Hiyam Ibrahim Hashim	Qana			
Ali Ibrahim Hashim	Qana			
Hala Shalhub	Qana			
Nur al-Huda Mahmud Hashim	Qana			
Najwa Ali Shalhub	Qana			
Mahmud Shalhub	Qana			
Muhammad Ali Shalhub	Qana			
Rabbab Mahmud Yusuf	Qana			
Hasan Muhammad Shalhub	Qana			
Muhammad Qasim Shalhub	Qana			
Nur Muhammad Hashim	Qana			
Zaynab Ahmad Shalhub	Qana			
Iman Husayn Darwish	Qana			
Fatima Kamil Kamal	Qana			

Name and surname	*Place*	*Nationality*	*Date of injury*	*Comments*
Husayn Hasan 'Arandish	Qana			
Yahya Muhammad Hadraj	Qana			
Hasan Muhammad Dawud	Qana			
Jawad Ali Hashim	Qana			
Ali Musa Hashim	Qana			
Mahmud Ali Lubani	Qana			
Musa Muhammad Dib	Qana			
Ali Faysal Nasr al-Din	Qana			
Abd al-Karim Muhammad Salum	Qana			
Na'ima Muhammad Hayik	Qana			
Fatima Ali Yasin	Qana			
Yusuf Muhammad Zayn al-Din	Qana			
Hasan Yusuf Zahib	Qana			
Ali Yusuf Muhsin	Qana			

Statistical table showing casualties caused by Israeli attacks from 30 July 2006 through 8 a.m. on 31 July 2006

Date	*Place*	*Injured*	*Killed*	*Comments*
30 July 2006-31 July 2006	Qana	30	27	Recovery of victims is ongoing
	Kafra	1		
	Zaoutar al-Gharbiye	1		
	Kfar Sir	1		
	Haris	1		
	Marfadoun	6		
	Sarba	1		Military
Total		**41**	**27**	**Total military injured: 1**
Overall total to date		**1 336**	**373**	**Total military dead: 22 (Army 20, Internal Security Force 2)** **Total military injured: 159 (Army 144, Internal Security Force 14, Customs 1)**

It should be noted that many victims are still underneath the rubble in many places.